TALKS OF HIS TRIP

Shame of Orient Denounced by Dr. MacLeod.

GREATEST EVILS IN WORLD

Turkish Government Fast Bringing Palestine to Utter Ruin, Declares the Pastor of First Presbyterian Church, Back from European Trip. Greeted by Large Congregation.

"Civilization's only hope is democracy and Christianity," said Rev. Dr. Donald C. MacLeod, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, last night in an interview with a reporter of The Washington Herald in his apartments to the Cairo.

Dr. MacLeod returned to Washington yesterday morning after a trip to Europe and the Orient of three months. He was the picture of health and in best spirits. He made the trip to the Old World for a rest and to improve his health. The primary reason, he said, however, was for educational benefits.

Shame of the Orient.

Dr. MacLeod denounced the existing conditions in Egypt and Palestine as detrimental to the advance of civilization.

"When we arrived in the Orient I was brought face to face with absolute monarchy and Mohammedanism, the two greatest evils in the world to-day. Every intelligent man I met condemned the Turkish government, which is rapidly bringing Palestine to utter ruin.

"The country is going to waste so rapidly that to a European or an American the question arises, 'How long can the shameful conditions remain?

"Men have said that foreign missions are useless-an unnecessary expense to the church. Could these men see what the missions have done they would never repeat the statement.

"While passing through Palestine I saw children treated more cruelly than are mothers' arms were literally eaten up by flies, which are to be found in great numbers in nearly all parts of the land. Mohammedan superstition forbids the parent brushing the flies from the babies' faces for fear the 'evil eye' may possess

Heavy Tasks for Children.

"A large majority of the manual labor is done by little boys and girls of ten years. They are to be seen in large numbers carrying dirt from excavations and performing other tasks considered hard for strong men in America.

"I was horrified to see eye diseases prevalent among the children. In addition to these repulsive diseases the children are nearly all cross-eyed. I am not a physician and cannot speak authoritatively as to the cause for this, but I suppose the flies are largely responsible for spreading the disease germs.

"Another repulsive feature of Mohammedanism is the treatment accorded women. They are allowed to leave their homes, or jails, more properly speaking, one time in a year, when they may visit the tembs. If a woman allows her husband's brother to see her face she is in danger

"Our guide had three wives. He paid a hundred dollars apiece for them. He them, at any time for \$200 for the three leaves his wife. That constitutes a divorce. Such conditions will ruin any

Government's Heavy Blame.

"These evils are comparatively small when compared to the evils of the Turkish government. Oppressive taxes make agriculture a profitless pursuit. More than 15,000 olive trees are hewn down every year in Palestine because the taxes are so high it does not pay to grow olives. More money can be realized by selling the tree trunks for fuel. The most fertile fields are uncultivated.

"In the cities are to be found conditions that make an American think of the clean cities in his native land, with broad streets and sanitary conditions. Washington was remembered by Washingtonions in the party with a feeling of homesickness. Refuse in great heaps block the streets and insult the nose with the stench. Men and women may be seen at all hours of the day lying about the so-called thoroughfares, sunning themselves. Occasionally they will get up to whip a child for not performing ork allotted to him, but even this exertion is of rare occurrence.

In the towns and villages of the interior, families live in mud huts less than half a story high. Search as diligently as possible and you will not see a win-dow or other opening for ventilation with the exception of a door about the size of the door of an ordinary dog kennel.

Dogs, cats, fowls, pigs, and any other kind of domestic animal to be found in the Orient share the hut with the family. It is an amusing occupation to stand by the shack and count the different species of animals, human and otherwise, that are sheltered by a single roof."

Greeted by Congregation.

scription of Palestine, Dr. MacLeod told of the natural beauties of the land. He made a five-day trip on horseback to Jerusalem, visiting the scenes in the Bible. Dr. MacLeod was greeted by many members of his congregation on his ar- Correction, which will meet in Richmond,

rival at the church, where he spent a Va., on May 6 to 13: few hours of the day receiving visitors. He will deliver sermons at the church this morning and to-night. Dr. MacLeod expressed a determination

to be a strong supporter of foreign missions, after becoming acquainted with the needs of the schools in the Orient. A party of 650 persons made the trip, leaving New York City on the steamship Arabic. On the return trip about 200 persons left the party at Naples. At Nice 200 said good-by to their friends, leaving

only a few to complete the voyage on the dents of Washington: Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Donald C. MacLeod, Dr. George Bailey, of the Western Presbyterian Church; James B. Lamble, Gen. and Mrs. Ellis

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> Members of the Board of Charities—John Joy Edson, president; Charles P. Neill, vice president, as Lieut. Samiloff, was applauded for her interpretation of the leading role. An added feature, "The Gold Dust Twins," played by two diminutive pickaninnies, was well by two diminutive pickaninnies, was well received.
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he Aged and Infirm, George W. Cook, superintendent of the Industrial dome School for Colored Children. Dr. P. G. Smith, superintendent of the Tubercu-

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DEATH RECORD.

John T. Crismond, Providence Hospital, 62 years. Margaret Perkins, 36 K st. nw., 58 years. Florence Whittaker, Georgetown University Hospital, 23 years. Martin Carmody, 430 Jackson st., Anacostia, 59 yrs. COLGRED.

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Daniel Reed, Washington Asylum Hosp., 84 years. When you have lost or found anything, telephone an advertisement to The Washington Herald and bill will be sent you at

BENNETT—On Friday, May I, 1998, at 5 s. m., at the residence of his uncle, Bernard W. Burdine, 553 Jefferson street, Anacostia, FREDERICK CHARLES BENNETT, Phar. D., the beloved son of the late Daniel and Emily Bennett, of London, England. Funeral, services at Emmanuel, P. E. Church, Funeral services at Emmanuel P. E. Church, Washington and Fillmore streets, Anacostis, at It 39 a. m. Monday, Interment (private) at Con-gressional Cemetery.

BUSEY-On Friday, May 1, 1908, at 2:30 a.m., ISAAC W. BUSEY, in his ninetieth year. Funeral from his late residence, 1241 Tenth street northwest, Monday, May 4, at 2 p. m. (Mineral Wells, Tex., and Philadelphia papers please

northwest, Sunday, May 3, at 2 p. m. Relatives and friends invited. Interment at Arlington. (Baitimore papers please copy.)

CRISMOND—On Friday, May 1, 1908, at Providence Hospital, JOHN T., beloved husband of Estello Neale Crismond, in his sixty-second year. Funeral from Church of the Immaculate Conception Monday morning, May 4, at 9 o'clock. Interment private. (Charles and St. Mary counties, Md., papers please copy.) UTTER - Entered into life eternal, Saturday morning, May 2, 1908, Mrs. ZILPHA AMANDA, widow of Hen. Benjamin Foster Cutter, in her widow of new minetests from the residence of her son-in-law, Dr. Francis J. Woodman, 634 A street northeast, Monday, May 4, at 2 p. m., to which friends are invited. Interment at Westbrook, Me. (Port-mails, Mine., papers please

land, Me., and Minneapplis, Minn., papers please DIGGS-On Wednesday, April 29, 1908, at 11 a. m. At her residence, 1441 Church street northwest, CLARA DIGGS, better known as Kate Diggs, daughter of Elisa Holmes and the late Thornton Holmes, sister-in-law of Deacon E. Holmes, Funetal Sunday, May 3, at 2 p. m., from Vermont Avenue Baptist Church.

PLETCHER—On Friday, May 1, 1908, at 4 20 p. m., JOHN H. FLETCHER, aged seventy-one years. Funeral will take place from his late residence, 832 Twenty-fifth atreet northwest, Monday, May 4, at 2 p. m. Relatives and friends invited to

HUNTER-On Friday, May 1, 1998, at 2 p. m., ANN HUNTER (nee Brown), the cherished sife of James W. Hunter, in the seventy-eighth year

of her age.
Funeral will take place from the residence of her son, William H. Hunter, 508 L street northwest, Monday at 8 a. m. sharp; thence to 8t. Patrick's Church, where a mass of requiem will be offered for the repose of her soul.

HENDERSON-Suddenly, on Friday, May I, 1908, at 6:10 p. m., at 2145 Ward place, JOHN H., beloved husband of Henrietta Henderson, Funeral Monday, May 4, at 120 p. m., from Met-ropolitan A. M. E. Church, M street, between Fifteenth and Sixteenth streets northwest. HERBERT-On Friday, May 1, 1908, ALBERT A., beloved husband of Lillie Herbert (nee Sullivan). Funeral from St. Anthony's Church, Brookland, D. C., Monday, May 4, st 9 a. m. Interment

MOORE—On Friday evening, May 1, 1908, at Na-tional Homeopethic Hospital, FRANK DIM-MITT, beloved husband of Gertrude Freeman Funeral services will be held Monday, May 1, at

alty Council No. 297, I. O. St. Luke, will be buried in Lynchburg, Va., Sunday, May 3, at 2

THOMPSON-On Friday, May 1, 1908, at 9:20 a. m., at his residence, 1756 Corcoran street northwest, Washington, D. C., JOHN B. THOMPSON, aged sixty-two years. Funeral from St. John's Church Monday morning,

SONS OF THE REVOLUTION. It is with servow that the death of JOHN BARK-ER THOMPSON is announced to the society. The funeral services will be held on Monday morting, May 4, at 11 o'clock, from St. John's Church, Sixteenth and H streets northwest, to which the members of the society are requested to attend WM. STONE ABERT, Vice President ALBION KEITH PARRIS, Jr., Secretary,

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